

The effectiveness of the TCPA is all but lost by the fact that telemarketers give false and/or misleading names and they are allowed to block from caller ID the phone number from which the call is made. Pre-recorded calls with no numbers and live calls with false numbers given constitute 50%-60% of the calls that I receive.

Another 30%-35% of the calls I receive are dropped calls from an automatic dialer. For people such as me with a heart condition, it is not only inconvenient but dangerous to run to answer the phone only to find that there is no one on the other end but the connection has not yet been broken. Since no number can come through on caller ID, there is no way to determine who is making the call without filing a formal complaint with the phone company and having a trap placed on the line